



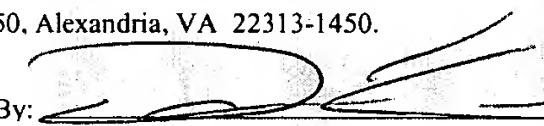
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: J. Prudent *et al.*  
Serial No.: 09/982,667 Group No.: 1637  
Filed: 10/18/01 Examiner: Jezia Riley.  
Entitled: **INVASIVE CLEAVAGE OF NUCLEIC ACIDS**

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION  
MAILED DECEMBER 23, 2004**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

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Dated: <u>January 29, 2005</u>	By:  David Casimir

Sir:

The following communication is responsive to the Office Action mailed December 23, 2004, with response due on or before March 23, 2005. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the application in view of the following amendments and remarks. Also submitted with this communication is a copy of the Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement and Form 1449 being filed herewith (at TAB 1). Clean copies of the Office Actions from related cases and the non-patent references cited in the Information Disclosure Statement are included herewith (at TAB 2). Applicants request that all of these references be made of record in the present application.

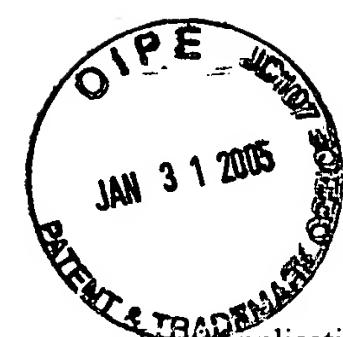
Also included herewith is a Terminal Disclaimer.

In accordance with the procedure for Revised Amendment Practice under 37 C.F.R. §1.121, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 11 of this paper.



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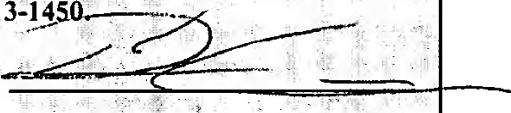
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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

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Sir or Madam:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application. The fee has been calculated as shown below.

	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA		RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
Total Claims	58	—	58	0	× 50.00	0.00
Independent Claims	2	—	3	0	× 200.00	0.00

**TOTAL DUE \$0.00**

1. Applicants are filing a Terminal Disclaimer with this Response.
2. Please charge the fee of \$130.00 to Deposit Account No. 08-1290. Please charge any additional fees, including any fees necessary for extensions of time, or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 08-1290. An originally executed duplicate of this transmittal is enclosed for this purpose.

Dated: January 29, 2005

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